

BOONE WEATHER			
1959	High	Low	4 pm. prec.
Oct. 20	67	40	51
Oct. 21	60	37	52
Oct. 22	53	47	52
Oct. 23	59	51	55
Oct. 24	55	41	41
Oct. 25	42	34	36
Oct. 26	56	32	48
Total rainfall for period—1.17. Snow Sun.			



ALL QUEENS.—The homecoming queen and her court rode regally through the streets of Boone and the College Campus as they joined the Saturday morning parade. Shown (left to right)

are Linda Woodruff, Jeannie Belk, Phyllis Krieger, Priscilla Beam and Queen Jean Nichols. Miss Nichols was crowned at the dance Saturday night.—Staff photo Joe Minor.

Wataugans Give Solid OK To State Bonds Tuesday

Light Vote Runs Heavily For Proposals

Watauga countians turned out in relatively scant numbers Tuesday to vote overwhelmingly for the \$34,000,000 State bond proposal.

With 12 out of 16 precincts reporting as the Democrat closed its forms late Tuesday the results were for proposition No. 1, 1001; against 49, this being the portion of the package in which most Wataugans were especially interested, due to its effect on the long range building program at Appalachian State Teachers College.

The proposition which Wataugans cared the least for was number 9, which provides for restoration of certain historical sites. The vote for it was 877, against 141.

No. 2, designed to aid mental institutions, received 1005 favorable votes to 44 against.

No. 2, which will aid Community Colleges: For 979, against 61.

No. 4, Hospital construction: For 980, against 55.

No. 5, For Armory Commission: For 917, against 93.

No. 6, For State Training School: For 980, against 44.

No. 7, For Blind Rehabilitation Center: For 994, against 46.

No. 8, For State Ports Authority: For 894, against 116.



APPRECIATION.—Watt H. Gragg, secretary-treasurer of Watauga Savings & Loan Association, admires bronze plaque presented him at Lenoir dinner meeting last Monday night.—Staff photo.

Veteran Savings And Loan Official Is Honored At District Meeting

Father Mrs. Williams Dies In Train Crash

Edmund R. Lingerfelt, 63, resident of Riceville, Tenn., and father of Mrs. Cratis Williams of Boone, was killed Friday at 1:50 p. m. in Riceville when his car was hit by Southern Railway passenger train no. 42.

He was pronounced dead on arrival at an Athens hospital from head and internal injuries.

Survivors include the widow, four daughters and a son: Mrs. Normal Modell, Melbourne, Fla.; Mrs. Cratis Williams, Boone; Mrs. David Benson, Knoxville; Mrs. Joe Rickenback, Sedalia, Mo.; John Lingerfelt, Pittsburgh, Pa.

She will appear at 5:00 p. m. on Channel 10 in Columbia, S. C.

The accident occurred at a grade crossing. The car was demolished by the train which was said to have been traveling about sixty miles per hour.

Mr. Lingerfelt was director of the Athens Urban renewal Housing Authority, secretary and treasurer of the Riceville Development Corporation. He was a deacon and teacher in the Riceville Baptist Church and a Mason.

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Watt H. Gragg, for 37 years secretary-treasurer of Watauga Savings & Loan Association, was presented a bronze plaque last Monday night, October 19, at a meeting in Lenoir, attesting to his service as a former president of the North Carolina Savings & Loan League.

The plaque, mounted in a walnut frame, was presented to Mr. Gragg during the 4th district annual dinner meeting by the present president of the North Carolina league, J. Bart Hall of Belmont. Words inscribed on the plaque read: "A testimonial of sincere appreciation of the splendid leadership and the time so generously given by W. H. Gragg, president 1955-1956. Presented by North Carolina Savings & Loan League."

Included among the 250 persons attending the meeting were nine persons connected with the Watauga Association. They were Mr. Gragg, Dr. and Mrs. William Matheson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Grady Farthing, Mrs. R. H. Hardin, Miss Shirley Williams, Mrs. Edie Andrews, and Mrs. Ann Coffey Brown. Dr. Matheson is a director, Mr. Farthing president of the local association, Mrs. Hardin, the widow of a former president, and Miss Williams, Mrs. Andrews, and Mrs. Coffey, tellers in the Boone offices.

The North Carolina league is composed of four districts. All Savings & Loan Associations in the state are members, of which there are 180. Mr. Gragg and the Watauga Association have been connected with the league for 35 years.

The league coordinates the efforts of the associations throughout the state, and aids in the exchange of ideas. It publishes a quarterly bulletin for its members, and each year a Junior Conference, for the training of savings and loan employees is conducted.

The dinner and presentation was held at the Lenoir Country Club.

Homecomers Are Greeted With A Gay Parade; Winter Weather

A cool Homecoming greeted returning alumni of Appalachian State Teachers College. The weather probably cut down on the crowd who returned to their alma mater, but those who came apparently enjoyed the event.

Cold rain and wind alternated with the sunshine during Saturday activities, but only part of the football game half-time program was hampered by the weather.

Special attention was focused on the class of 1934, as it celebrated its silver anniversary. Other classes receiving special recognition were the classes of '33, '39, '49, and the most recent graduating class of '59.

The festivities opened Friday night with the Playcrafters presenting a three act play, "Diary of a Scoundrel."

Saturday was filled with activities for the homecomers, not the least being the parade of floats and organizations through the streets of Boone and through the campus. Several floats, commercial displays, and bands helped make up the entourage.

Headed by a color guard from the campus Veterans Organization, the parade contained special cars for college officials, alumni officers, and others connected with the college.

Four high school bands besides Appalachian High School joined the college band in furnishing the music for the event. They also played at pre game entertainment in the afternoon.

The bands were directed by former students at Appalachian. Included were Boyden High Band of Salisbury, directed by George Wilson; Spindale High Band, directed by James Blanton; Drexel High Band, directed by Catherine Siphers; and Marion High Band, directed by Claude Jarrett.

The college band was directed by Charles Isley, and the Appalachian High band by Clyde Wade.

Honored persons in the parade included Dr. W. H. Plemmons, president of the college; Barnard Dougherty, vice president; Dr. J. D. Rankin, president emeritus; Lynn Mize, president of the student body; Kenneth Clawson, president of homecoming sponsors Chi Lambda Chi; Dean D. J. Whitener; Cratis Williams, head of the graduate school; H. R. Eggers, registrar; Mayor of Boone Gordon H. Winkler; E. G. "Red" Lackey, Alumni Association president; Kidd Brewer, former coach and present trustee of the college; Wayne Miller, parade marshal; Dr. Roy Wilson and Mrs. Vergie Cox, Alumni Association officers; and Dr. J. T. C. Wright, of the Bbb Broome Memorial Scholarship Foundation.

The queen's float was beautiful with her court. They included Queen Carol Jean Nichols of McAdenville; Priscilla Beam of Cherryville; Phyllis Krieger of High Point; Linda Woodruff of Hayes; and Jeannie Belk of Hickory.

Winning float in the parade, judged by Mrs. J. V. Caudill, Mrs. Jack Groce, and the Rev. Edwin F. Troutman was sponsored by the Business Club. Winning commercial float was entered by Catawba Dairy.

The judges made the rounds of displays on the campus, and judged the one sponsored by Tri Beta Society as best project.

An alumni luncheon was attended by more than 400 people in the Appalachian Elementary School.

The football game between Carson-Newman's Eagles and the Mountaineers failed to go as predicted, but the crowd that braved the falling weather did see a good game.

Half-time ceremonies were cut short due to the weather, and the crowning of the homecoming queen was postponed until the dance at night.

However, the first Bob Broome Memorial Scholarship was awarded during half-time to Jack White, Lexington-Mountaineer co-captain. Kidd Brewer made the presentation. White's name will be the first to be placed on the trophy which will be kept at the school.

After the game, alumni and friends were invited to a coffee hour, presided over by Mrs. Maxine G. Edmiston, dean of women. A movie, "This Is Appalachian," produced to show how young men and women are trained at Appalachian for the teaching profession, was shown during this period.

For those who stayed around, a dance, with music by Bill Butler and his "Royalty" band was held in the new Physical Education Building. The queen was crowned at the dance, and she and her court reigned over the occasion.

A scheduled airplane leaflet drop and picture taking excursion was cancelled in mid-air before the camera plane could reach Boone because of weather conditions.

New Stores Open Here

By RALPH TUGMAN
Democrat Staff Writer

Change and rapid growth in the metropolitan area of the large cities is more or less taken for granted. No large city, however, would be prepared to accept without much ado, a growth proportionate to the one Boone is undergoing along its main street this week.

A significant change, and one that may well change the buying habits of many Boone shoppers, is the opening of a new self-service ten cent store in the one hundred block of King Street. Opening today, Thursday, under the name of McClung's 5c to \$1.00 Store, the new store will feature a wide selection of low priced merchandise.

The owner, M. L. McClung, comes to Boone from Dade City, Fla., where he has been operating similar stores since leaving the Woolworth chain several years ago. Mr. McClung hopes to make Boone his summer headquarters.

The new Boone store is under the management of Harvey Williams, formerly of Statesville. Mr. Williams, his wife and their 15-year-old son and 13-year-old daughter will make their home in Boone.

The new establishment has already had an effect on local economy, since a complete renovation of the building it occupies was accomplished through local contractors, and the operation of the store now will provide full time employment for a number of local people.

Another significant development (Continued on page six)

Week Brings Two Wrecks

Patrolman George E. Baker reported investigation of two wrecks, involving three vehicles over the week end in Watauga county.

The first on Friday, involved vehicles driven by Fred Edgar Moody, 40, of Reese, and Edward Carlock Henson, 68, of Route 1, Vilas. The report showed that Moody was driving a '50 Ford pickup west on U. S. 421, stopped so he could make a left turn into Cable Bros. store, when the '56 Chevrolet driven by Henson in the same direction, failed to get stopped on the wet pavement, and ran into the rear of the pickup. Damage to the pickup was estimated at \$75.00, and to the Chevrolet at \$500.00.

A car, driven by Ida Fay Caudle, Route 2, Ronda, turned over on its top Saturday when the driver attempted to overtake a car traveling in the same direction, realized she could not get around it in time, so she applied her brakes, cutting to the right at the same time, and hit the right shoulder and going into a ditch before turning over.

The accident occurred near Winkler's Grocery on U. S. 421, at Rutherfordwood. Damage to the Caudle car was estimated by Patrolman Baker at approximately \$450.00.

Civil Court Term To Convene On 9th

A two week civil term of Watauga Superior court will convene in Boone Monday November 9, with Hon. J. Frank Huskins of Burnsville being the presiding Judge.

Following are the names of those who have been summoned for jury duty during the session:

Bald Mt.: John Ragan.
Beaver Dam: Dixon Farthing, Joe Wilson, Howard Harmon.
Blowing Rock: Richard E. Gragg, Rudolph Greene, Cecil Rhodes, Buddy Hartley.
Blue Ridge: Stokes Miller, M. O. Coffey.
Boone: James P. Marsh, Ed J. Culler, C. H. Blackburn, Jr.

Makes Debut On Television

Miss Ann Buxton, daughter of Mrs. Carrie Buxton of Blowing Rock, will make her television debut as a singer on Friday, October 30.

Alexander To Visit City

Congressman Hugh Alexander announced from his office today that during the adjournment of Congress when he is not visiting throughout the Ninth District he will be in his office at 315 Professional Building, Kannapolis. He stated that he will keep his office at 1406 House Office Building, Washington, D. C., open during the entire adjournment of Congress.

Mr. Alexander stated that he will be at the Courthouse at Boone, Watauga County, on Monday, November 2 from 10:00 a. m. to 12:00 o'clock noon.

"I will be delighted to see all persons who care to meet me at the Watauga County Courthouse, Boone, at the above appointed time, especially any constituents who may have problems dealing with the Federal Government about which I can be helpful," Congressman Alexander said.



WINNERS.—The Business Club of ASTC won the college float award with its depiction of the old method of teaching and the new commercial teaching of today (left picture). The display of Tri Beta Club won the campus display award with its "baking" of the Eagle pie project (right). The displays on campus attracted considerable attention. Trophies were presented to representatives of the winning organizations at half-time of the ball game.—(Float picture by Flowers Photo Shop.)



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Bloodmobile To Visit City At 11:00 Today

The Red Cross bloodmobile will be at the Methodist Church in Boone today (Thursday) from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m.

All those willing to donate blood are asked to be present at some time between these hours.

It is stated that the need for blood continues urgent, in order that the blood needs of the people in this area may be met and that adequate preparation may be made for disaster and possible military requirements.

It would bear repeating that all donors residing in a given jurisdiction donating a pint of blood through Red Cross facilities, will be issued a credit card entitling the donor and his immediate family to receive blood through any participating hospital for a period of six months.

It is also pointed out that there is no charge for Red Cross blood, but the hospital may charge the patient receiving the blood a fee to cover the cost of laboratory and technical services, expendable supplies and blood delivery.

Any person 21-60, in good health who weighs 110 pounds or more may give blood. Those 18-20 may give with parental consent.

Blood may be given no more than five times a year, is completely painless, and a healthy body is able to quickly replace the pint one gives.